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Church Schools

Believing that all the readers of the "Worker" are interested in the church school work, I am glad to give the following statement of the standing of the work.

Commencing in the north-west, we have a school at Portis which opened the 15th of Sept and is to continue six months. Miss Nelle Dixon who has had successful experience in school work has charge of the school. Coming south we find a German school in the Otis church taught by Brother J. F. Harder. This school was very successful last winter under his direction. The large class of young people who attended the school did a great deal of missionary work with the German papers and tracts. A little farther to the south we find the Fellsburg church and school. Last year their school term was very short but the brethren have not lost faith in the work. This year they have arranged for Brother I. U. Sultz to teach them a six months school. Brother Sultz finished the Normal Course at the Keene Academy, and last year took work in Union College.

Passing now to the east we come to Hutchinson where Brother and Sister Morey taught a very successful term of school last winter. They have been employed to teach there again this winter. Their school probably has opened ere this, goes to print. Sister Hannah Jensen, who has done successful school work for years and taught the Pontiac school last winter will teach a small school in Wichita. A young man who has worked for a number of years in the schools of Wyoming was in attendance at the Teachers' Summer Normal at College View and consented to come to Kansas to teach this winter. He opened the Wellington school Sept. 21, and reports an interesting school. The next school on our list is found at Pontiac.

This church erected a new church building last winter and made provisions for a school. They are nicely located in the country as are also a number of our other schools. Miss Florence Barbee has been employed to teach at this place. She has had experience in both public school and church school work.

There are two faithful families near Lebo who have been employing a teacher for their children for two or three years. They have now secured the service of Miss Ethyl Easley. Miss Easley has had one year in the Normal course at Union College and attended the teachers' normal last summer. The oldest school in the state is found at Ottawa.

The brethren are not tired of church schools yet. Why should they be? They have employed Miss Jennie Hill who has had two successful years teaching church school and has had training in summer normals. The Atchison church have under difficulties maintained a church school. Their faith lays hold on the promise, "My grace is sufficient for you". They have employed Miss Anna Anderson to teach for them. Miss Anderson has been faithfully tried in the canvassing work and has made a success. She has had one whole year in the Berrien Springs School and comes back full of the Spirit of the work. Miss Vesta Baldwin has had a full year in the Normal Department of Union College besides the summer institute for church school teachers. She has been employed to teach seven or eight months in a school just organized at Oswego. Her school opened Sept. 30. Last but not least among the schools that have been provided for, is the school at Thayer. Here the school work has grown with the growth of the children. There is in the church a large class of young people who have advanced beyond the church school grades. After careful consideration and counsel it was thought best to employ two teachers, one for the church school and the other for the intermediate work. The church voted to invite young people who wish to do school work below the eleventh grade for a small outlay of means to come to Thayer and agreed to furnish board and rooms for two dollars per week. Two teachers, experienced in church school work, have been employed. Miss Nettie Hardiman, who taught in Union College last year, will have charge of the intermediate room. Tuition for students in this room is \$1.50 per month. Miss Stella Secrist, who taught the church school at Thayer last winter, will have charge of the same room again this year. There is no tuition charged in this room. Several other places are contemplating opening schools yet this fall if teachers can be had for them, among which are Iola, Fort Scott, Clay Center Blaine, and Sedgwick. Oh, if we only had the consecrated young people who are prepared to teach these schools!

Any one wishing to patronize the Thayer school should write at once to Eld. D. H. Oberholtzer, Thayer, Kan., and any wishing to move to one of the other schools should correspond with B. E. Huffman, 821 W. 5th St., Topeka, Kan.

Report of Labor.

Last week I spent Thursday at Tampa in council with Elders Schultz and Riffel, and attended meeting that night at our German church. The house was filled to its utmost capacity, and some stood in the open door while Eld. Schultz gave a discourse on the Eastern question. This was the third night. It seemed clear to all of us that there is an interest there sufficient to justify holding a series of meetings later, perhaps when the farmers get their seeding done. Elders Riffel and Hanhardt will probably do this. I spent the Sabbath at Wichita, we had a good meeting; three were received into the church. Two of these, a man and his wife, have just recently accepted the truths of the Message, and are rejoicing in the light. They are to be baptised this week.

C. McBenrol

Another Call.

Beginning about January 1, 1901, the Lord gave this people a series of articles through the columns of the Review, concerning the importance of the colporteur work and evangelistic canvassing.

New canvassers were called for, and old, experienced field laborers were encouraged to return to the work of the Lord. Many responded, and a revival has been experienced. But the Lord has told us that as long as probation lasts, the canvasser will have a work to do, so let us not feel that because one grand rally was made, that it is to accomplish its work in a year or two, and then pass away into oblivion. Not so. The Lord continues to call for consecrated canvassers, and tells us that the circulation of our literature is a work committed to His church.

Our church members are to "arise and shine". In this crisis we should urge upon the attention of the people the last merciful message of warning. We must not fail to carry out the Lord's purpose, as did the children of Israel when they entered Canaan. The Lord instructed them to take possession of the whole land, but after making a partial conquest, they settled down to enjoy life. This showed unbelief, and they began to depart from the Lord. We have no excuse that we should do likewise. God intended that this experience should be for our ensamples, written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. Oh, let us not make the Lord's work secondary to worldly interests.

We are told that "there is no higher work than evangelistic canvassing," and that it "should no longer be neglected," and at the same time instructed that "there should be a more general interest in our canvassing work," and as this is a work given to the church, it involves not only presidents of conferences, general state agents, but every one who is called to help make up the body which is to give the Third Angel's Message.

Parents, what can you do? Educate your children to become the Lord's missionaries, and instruct them "diligently. When thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and thou liest down, and when thou risest up," that the chief aim of their existence should be to live the truth, and teach it to those in darkness.

Church officers, elders, librarians and leaders of missionary meetings, have opportunities to encourage young men and women to engage in the house to house work, and every local campaign organized for the sale and distribution of books and other literature containing gospel truths, is a lift to the canvassing work. A good time of the year to arrange such a crusade is from now on until the holidays.

Church school teachers, your responsibility to educate children for missionaries in this cause is great. "Our church schools are ordained by God to prepare the children for this great work." Testimonies Vol. 6 p. 203. You must now train for the Lord's work those who will in the near future engage in some branch of gospel labor.

Then there are those with whom the Lord's spirit is now pleading to engage in the work of carrying the publications to all places. "Canvassing campaigns are to be organized for the sale of our literature, that the world may be enlightened as to just what is before us." Special Testimonies.

Let us adhere to the Lord's plans to unitedly work to keep in operation every part of the work. Remember that a more general interest should be taken in this work. We solicit your prayers and support. C. W. Hardesty.

A Letter.

At our recent excellent Camp-meeting at Newton the most of those who have been canvassing this year re-enlisted for the fall campaign and a number of new ones also joined the ranks as regular canvassers, and a good many others promised to engage in the sale of our good books as much as possible in the vicinity of their own homes.

We are already getting some reports and letters from those who have been working since Camp-meeting but there are several from whom we have not heard yet. We hope that all will get out as soon as possible and improve this favorable time. All who have written seem to be of good courage in the work.

Some persons who were not at the Camp-meeting and some even from other states, are writing to us about canvassing in Kansas, so we hope that a good work may be accomplished during the remaining months of 1903.

The canvassing work and our faithful canvassers received considerable attention at the Camp-meeting and a number of our canvassers are now "in the work." We heard of some whole families being brought to a knowledge of the truth through reading of some of our good books and we are glad that the Spirit of the Lord is impressing many minds with the importance of circulating our literature.

I have been moving my family to Kansas, and we are now comfortably settled at Thayer, and I expect to be out among our churches and workers soon.

We shall hope to have the active co-operation of our ministers and all our people during the ensuing year and that our canvassers may so conduct themselves and so exercise the faith that God gives them, that His blessing may continue to attend their work. "Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience. Behold we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the patience of Job and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful and of tender mercy."

Sept. 29, 1903

Frank Jencks.

"Helps"

For a long time our canvassers have carried what has been called "Helps." Now the object of this article is to inquire whether "helps" help. That only helps that does not hinder more than it helps. The first point I wish to make against carrying small books when working for large ones, is that they are sure to detract interest from the large one. As long as the canvasser has something to introduce he is sure to reserve some effort for the other book, but if he has nothing more, it then becomes necessary to make that one a success. Many a time the party being canvassed is nearly ready to subscribe when a small book is offered, and his attention is taken by that, and the appeals of the children to have it, and a sale for the large book is lost.

Now I believe that a good way to judge of these matters is to take examples from the most successful agents. Look over the tabulated reports from week to week, and you will see that the man who has the largest sales for the large book he is handling, has few orders for small ones. You rarely, if ever, see the successful worldly canvasser carrying more than one article at a time. Not long since, while the writer was canvassing for Desire of Ages, during the spring and early summer, when many of our canvassers in that state said that was not the season for canvassing, there was a worldly agent selling a work called The Bible Scroll. It

had only about 100 pages, but had a lot of colored plates on a revolving scroll. In my mind it was not really worth as much as a copy of Christ our Savior, but that agent sold it at from \$3.50 to \$15.00; and, as near as I could judge, twice as many as I was selling of Desire of Ages. He carried no "helps";

But many urge that they must have these little sales in order to meet expenses. Now it is often an easy matter to secure a subscriber for the large book by offering a fifty-cent credit for a night's lodging. Then again for a canvasser to carry several small books does not tend to lend dignity to the canvassing work, and saps the possibility of selling something larger, and finally leads to almost entire neglect of the large book for the sale of helps.

Ft. Scott. When the work in Ft. Scott began there was six Sabbath keepers here. Just before we left for camp-meeting, we organized the Sabbath-keepers here into a company and 19 subscribed their names as members of the company promising to live the whole truth. Eight others had promised to observe the Sabbath but were not present when the company was organized.

Just after we left for camp-meeting one of the leading ministers here published hand-bills advertising to refute the doctrines of "Seventh-day Adventism", as "religious teachers had been enthroning error, and misleading honest people. He stated that it was an unpleasant task, but when honest people are misled "silence would be unkind". One of these announcements fell into my hands while I was on the Camp-ground, and I wrote an open letter to the minister, which was published in two of the dailies here, asking him why he had been so unkind as to permit this sort of work for three months,-- until we left,-- before he broke his silence. And I asked if he would not, if he did not consider me dishonest, show me my error upon my return.

In his attempted reply, he so signally failed to give a satisfactory reason for his course that many have turned against him, and openly accuse him of cowardice. Nothing has happened here that has served so well to advertise our work, and turn sentiment in our favor as this has. Almost everyone I meet speaks to me about it. Many say "I believe you are right in regard to the day."

We found our company about the same as they were when we left them. We pitched our tent, and have held four meetings, with a good and very respectful hearing. We hope for good results.

R. W. Parmele.

Wanted-, the addresses of all isolated Sabbath-keepers in Eastern Central district, comprising the counties of Johnson, Miami, Linn, Anderson, Franklin, Douglas, Shawnee, Osage, Coffey, Lyon, Wabaunsee, Geary, Morris, Chase. I desire to visit all such as soon as possible, and with this information it will help much in understanding your needs, and the needs of your locality. N. B. Emerson-

Also by Eld. R. W. Parmele, those in the South Eastern district comprising the counties of, Bourbon, Allen, Woodson, Greenwood, Elk, Wilson, Neosho, Crawford, Cherokee, Labette, Montgomery and Chautauqua. We want to plan our winter's work, and wish to know the needs of the field.

Are there not some of our consecrated young people who could connect with our work in Ft. Scott. We will do all we can to assist any such.

R. W. Parmele, 1120 S. Main St.

Room For All.

The church school work is a part of the Gospel message as taught by Revelation 14:8; and 18:1-4, also by Paul in 2 Cor. 6:14-18. This is also made very plain in Vol. 6 pages 194 and 195. When we read these plain statements from Scriptures and the Testimonies it does seem strange that we should be so slow to recognize the need of these schools. On page 217 of Vol. 6, we are told that "We cannot call ourselves true missionaries if we neglect those at our very doors, who are at the most critical age, and who need our aid to secure knowledge and experience that will fit them for the service of God. Shall the members of the church give means to advance the cause of Christ among others, and leave their own children to carry on the work and service of Satan." "Let all share the expense."

Many calls have recently come for help to start the work in various places. As these appeals have come to us; our hearts have been touched and liberal responses have been made. This is as it should be. I would not discourage any one in answering these calls. But here is a work which is just as worthy of our support as the foreign work or as building a school or Sanitarium in Washington. The last Conference proposed a plan whereby all can share in the expense of these schools as the Testimonies have said. The recommendation as passed is as follows:

"That each member be asked to pay 25 cts., or more each quarter into the Conference treasury, as a fund to assist churches in performing their duty, as indicated by the Testimonies, after they have done all they can to discharge their responsibilities in conducting schools. It is distinctly understood that this fund shall be used only for teachers' salaries and that the Conference Treasurer shall grant assistance to no church until directed to do so by the Conference President and the Conference Educational Superintendent of Schools.

This is a very small sum to ask for such a vast work, But we fully believe there are many who will be glad to give dollars instead of quarters. Perhaps there are some who cannot at this time give twenty-five cents. But all can give something and we shall pray that God may move upon the heart of those of means to give enough so that we shall receive a least an average of twenty-five cents each quarter for this fund.

The first quarter of the year closed before many had opportunity to plan for this, but will you not, every one, send in your donations at once? It is not too late yet. The church elders and leaders of companies will please bring this matter before their companies for adoption and, so far as possible, send in the amounts for the quarter just ended. The church treasurer should send this money to C. F. Parmele, 821 W 5th St. Topeka, and state plainly that it is for the church school fund. We now have twelve dollars and seventy cents with which to open this account. May God bless you all in giving and give wisdom in the use of the money you do give, is the prayer of

Your Brother in Christ,

B. E. Huffman,

Supt. of Church School's

From a Testimony

"I protest in the name of the God of Israel against our young people being called to Battle Creek to be educated."

"The danger to our young people who go to Battle Creek is ten-fold greater now than it has ever been at any time in the past."

THE KANSAS WORKER

Elds. McReynolds, Trubey, Hanhardt, Huffman, and Bro. Emerson of the conference committee held a council here on Monday & Tuesday of last week

In every difficulty we are to see a call to prayer

"Your actions thunder so over my head I cannot hear a word you say."—Emerson.

Bro. Jacob Becker who has served the cause here so long has, after careful deliberation accented position with his father at Lehigh, Kansas: Personally we were sorry to see him go, but we have a German helper in Bro. Meyer; so let us hear from our German Brethren. We can also manage some Swedish correspondence if need be.

"Your body is a harp with a thousand strings."—Dr. Paulson.

Miss Carrie Hitt of Winfield has been called to work as stenographer in this office, and is now with us.

Bro. Henry E. Meyer of Tampa, who is to assist in the office, especially on the "Worker", arrived Sept. 29th accompanied by his wife and her sister, Miss Bessie Nicholas, of Argonia.

Bro. Surber of Nebr., made this office a pleasant visit last week.

Bro. A. D. Gilbert, who is working with "The Signs of the Times", and has been very successful with "Present Truth" in England, spent one day in Topeka, and we trust with profitable results in awakening a missionary spirit.

We have on hand quite a supply of the Dedication number of "Good Health." As this is good reading to awaken an interest in the health work, our readers will find it helpful among their neighbors. About 1600 of that number was sold in Wichita, and 2500 at Newton, mostly to our Brethren. We will sell them while they last, in lots of 25 for 75 cts., postpaid.

Have you read the new book by Sr. White entitled "Education?" If not do not delay longer than it takes to get it from the office. Price, \$ 1.25, same size as "Object Lessons."

Sisters Lillie Hornbeck and Nancy Bland, who are laboring at Leavenworth, report two new Sabbath-keepers, and some who once knew the Truth as returning to their first love.

The time has come to interest your neighbors in good reading matter. The evenings are growing quite long, and the hurry of summer work is nearly over. Now, before the minds of the people become filled up with winter attractions and gaities, is the time to get before them that which will profit them. Have you, dear reader, been planning on how you can do this? Do you remember those most excellent tracts recently gotten up by the Gen. Conf. entitled, "We Would See Jesus", "The Signs of The Times", "Gospel Remedy", "What Do These Things Mean?" "Perpetuity of The Law?"—Here is a fine array of up-to-date reading that costs but a small amount, and will surely interest any thoughtful reader. If you feel you do not know how to go about the work write us stating your surroundings and we will try to help you.

C. F. P.

Notice.

For various reasons, the collection that was to be taken up the third Sabbath in October for the purchase of a Printing Press and other equipments for the office at College View, has been deferred until some future time. This is according to an action of the Central Union Conference Board, the notice of which was sent by the President of the Central Union Conference.

Notice

Any of our brethren desiring choice alfalfa honey, either comb or extracted, at right prices should address
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| G. E. Kingman, | Attica. | 44 | 53 | | 11 | | | | | | | | | 74 | 85 | 35.50 | 68 | 17.25 |
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